IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

URVE MAGGITTI, Plaintiff,	CIVIL ACTION
MICHAEL PULLANO, et al., Defendants.	

ORDER

AND NOW, this 12th day of September, 2024, upon consideration of *pro se* Plaintiff's pending Motion to Strike Defendants' Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 14), **IT IS ORDERED** that the Motion is **DENIED**. Plaintiff has 14 days to respond to Defendant's Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 9).

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Hon. Kelley B. Hodge

HODGE, KELLEY B., J.

In response to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, Plaintiff has filed a Motion to Strike under Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(f). Rule 12 provides for the ways in which a party may respond to a pleading. Rule 12(f) allows for the Court to "strike *from a pleading* an insufficient defense or any redundant, immaterial, impertinent, or scandalous matter." Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(f) (emphasis added). Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted is not a pleading. Rather, it is one of the defenses allowed for under Rule 12. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6). Plaintiff has the right to respond to Defendants' Motion. However, she must do so through the appropriate filings, in this case, a Response to the Motion to Dismiss, within 14 days. *See* E.D. Pa. Civ. R. 7.1(c).

The Court reminds Plaintiff that Civil Action No. 23-5141 has been consolidated with the lead case, Civil Action No. 23-2273. Plaintiff should file her Response only in the lead case per the Court's September 10, 2024 Order.